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SAXMUNDHAM URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1961



To: The Chairman and Members of the Saxmundham Urban
District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you a Report on the
Health and Sanitary State of the District for the Year 1961.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

D. W. RYDER RICHARDSON.

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EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS:-

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
<u>LIVE BIRTHS:-</u>			
Legitimate	25	13	12
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Birth Rate: 16.7			
<u>DEATHS:-</u>	21	9	12
Death Rate: 14.0			

Deaths from Puerperal Causes	None
Deaths of Infants under 1 year old	None
Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks old	None
Deaths from Cancer	5
Deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough, Diarrhoea, under 2 years' old	None

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Three cases of pneumonia occurred during the year; two elderly patients died of the disease. An extensive outbreak of measles, mild in nature, occurred among children, mostly in the third quarter; 60 cases were notified. One case of erysipelas was notified. No cases of tuberculosis were notified; there were no deaths from this disease.

WATER SUPPLY.

Water of excellent quality continued to be supplied by the Blyth Waterworks during the year. The supply was augmented during the year by water from the newly-opened well at Benhall.

SEWERAGE.

The system has worked satisfactorily during the year. Some badly-needed replacements were made to the sprinklers.

HOUSING.

(a)	No. of Houses inspected	28
(b)	No. unsatisfactory	20
(c)	No. rendered fit:-	
	(1) Informal	17
	(2) Formal - Public Health Acts	-
	(3) Formal - Housing Acts	-
(d)	No. Demolition Orders secured	-
(e)	No. dwellings included in Clearance Orders secured ,.....	-
(f)	No. demolished informally	-
	No. demolished under (d) above	-
	No. demolished under (e) above	-
(g)	No. of dwellings in respect of which or part of which Closing Orders were made (including Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953)	-
(h)	No. cases of overcrowding known to exist at end of 1960	-
(i)	No. cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	-
(j)	Total No. new houses erected:-	
	(i) by Local Authority	-
	(ii) by Private Enterprise	3
(k)	No. of new houses allocated for slum clearance	-
(l)	No. of new houses in 1961 estimates allocated for slum clearance	-
(m)	No. of Improvement Grants approved during the year:-	
	Standard Grants	1
	Discretionary Grants	11
(n)	No. of Improvement Grants completed during the year:-	
	Standard Grants	1
	Discretionary Grants	8

FOOD PREMISES.

Number of Food Premises in the area, and type of business:-

Confectioners	5
Grocers	6
Fishmongers	1
Butchers	2
Snack Bars	1
Cafes	1
Greengrocers	3
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(a)	No. of premises inspected	11
(b)	No. of inspections made	31
(c)	No. found to be unsatisfactory	3

(d)	No. rendered satisfactory:-	
	(1) Informally	3
	(2) Formally	-
(e)	No. of premises registered under Section 16, Food and Drugs Act, 1955:-	
	(1) Ice Cream - Manufacture	-
	- Storage or Sale only	5
	(2) Sausages, preserved food, etc.	2
(f)	No. of Ice Cream samples taken for bacteriological examination	-
	No. of samples found to be unsatisfactory	-
(g)	No. of licensed slaughter houses	2

3. FOOD INSPECTION.

(a) Meat Inspected.

Is 100% inspection being carried out?

Yes

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	318	-	8	442	462	-
Number inspected	318	-	8	442	462	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	2	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	1.06	-	-	-	.43	-
<u>Tuberculosis only:-</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	9	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.95	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generally and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brief Analysis of "Other Causes":-						
Fractures, Parasitic, Tumours, Cirrhosis						

3. FOOD INSPECTION (contd.)

(b) Other Food condemned:-

3 tins meat.

Method of Disposal of Condemned Food:-

Meat: Suffolk Fat & Bone Co.

Other Foods: Refuse Tip (buried).

4. PUBLIC HEALTH (General).

Moveable Dwellings.

No. of site licenses - No. of Individual Licenses	-
No. of Inspections during the year (a) Sites	-
(b) Dwellings	-
No. of contraventions remedied	-

Rats and Mice Destruction

No. of premises treated: (a) Dwellings	75
(b) Other premises	18

Disinfection etc.

No. of premises disinfected	-
No. of premises disinfested	-

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

Frequency of collection	Weekly
Method of disposal	Refuse tip
Is night soil collection undertaken?	No
Is cesspool emptying undertaken?	No

Water Supply.

No. of water samples taken for:-	
Bacteriological examination	12
Chemical examination	1

Drainage, etc.

No. of new sewer connections made	-
No. of conversions to W.C. (Public Health Act, 1936, Section 47)	-

5. Shops Act, 1950 (Section 38)

Number of shops inspected	20
Contravention found	-
Contravention remedied	-

6. FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 TO 1959.

(a) INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors):

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities:	3	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority:	21	8	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises): Building sites and Slaughterhouses.	2	5	-	-
TOTAL	26	14	-	-

(b) Cases in which DEFECTS were found:

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-

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	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
T O T A L	-	-	-	-	-

7. OUTWORK (Sections 110 and 111).

Nature of Work (1)	Section 110			Section 111		
	No: of out-workers in August list required by Section 110(1) (c) (2)	No: of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No: of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No: of instances of work in un-wholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
<u>Wearing apparel</u>						
Making etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning & Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Items } Listed	-	-	-	-	-	-

